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SUBJECT: WHO MEETING ON SPECIAL PROGRAM IN TROPICAL
DISEASES, JULY 7-8

1. WHO WORKING GROUP MEETING ON SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN 6 TROPICAL DISEASES UNDERWAY. COPIES OF AGENDA AND WORKING PAPERS HAVE JUST BEEN FORWARDED TO DEPARTMENT (ANDREW), AID (BELCHER) AND HEW (EHRLICH). MISSION OFFICER KLEIN IN ROME, EXPECTED BACK IN TIME TO ATTEND FINAL SESSION, JULY 8.

2. MATHIESON (UK) APPOINTED CHAIRMAN. MAJOR PURPOSE OF MEETING IS TO FOCUS ON 1) ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF SPECIAL PROGRAM (IN PARTICULAR, "MANAGEMENT STRUCTURES"), 2) STRUCTURE FOR PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 1977-1981, 3), TYPES OF CONTRIBUTIONS IN CASH AND KIND, INCLUDING LEGISLATIVE CONSTRAINTS THAT MAY BE FACED BY DONOR COUNTRIES, AND 4) APPROACHES TO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY.

3. PARTICIPANTS AND OBSERVERS ARE FROM SWEDEN, INDIA, CANADA, BELGIUM, SWITZERLAND AND UPPER VOLTA, IN ADDITION TO US. MASHLER (UNDP) AND LEE (WORLD BANK) ALSO PRESENT WITH WHO SECRETARIAT MEMBERS LUCAS, DEMAAR, FLACHE, VIGNES (LEGAL) AND GROENENDIJK (BUDGET AND FINANCE).

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4. MEETING OFF TO SLOW START AND BOGGED DOWN IN DEFINITIONS OF CONTRIBUTORS VERSUS PARTICIPANTS, HOW MANY REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD BE ON JOINT CONTROL BOARD, ETC. PARTICIPANTS IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WORLD BANK SHOULD BE CO-SPONSOR OF SPECIAL PROGRAM ALONG WITH WHO AND UNDP. WORLD BANK REP MAINTAINS IBRD NOT ACTIVELY SEEKING ROLE, MERELY TAKING LOOK DURING 2-DAY MEETING. MASHLER (UNDP) INDICATED SOME FUNDING MAY BE AVAILABLE LATER FROM UNDP CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND. NO FIGURES GIVEN. AFTERNOON SESSION TO START OFF WITH ROLE OF WHO REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN SPECIAL PROGRAM.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF INFORMAL INPUT (US HAS OBSERVER STATUS ONLY) DESIRED BY DEPT, AID OR HEW. ABRAMS

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